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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
MARTIN KONEMANN, ET AL. : EXAMINER: ANTHONY, J.
SERIAL NO: 10/509,944 :
FILED: OCTOBER 4, 2004 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1796
FOR: CYCLIC COMPOUNDS AND THE :
USE THEREOF AS LIGHT ABSORBERS,
LIGHT EMITTERS, OR COMPLEX
LIGANDS

RESPONSE TO THE REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed October 11, 2007, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I: Claims 1-2, 4-5 and 9-13 drawn to a composition comprising cyclic compound represented by formula (I) and at least one of a tautomeric structure or at least one of the recited complexes of the cyclic compound.

Additionally, Applicants elect the compound 4,12 dimethylcyclo-
2,4':2',7'':2'',4''':2''',7-quaterbenzimidazole as the species.

Applicants request that the Examiner expand the search to the non-elected claims of Group II, Claims 6-8 and 14 if the elected Group I claims are found allowable.